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FERMENTATION
Group: 1651
Examiner: I. Marx

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following Remarks traversing the rejection of claims in the Office Action mailed March 11, 2005. Entry of the present Remarks, and reconsideration in light thereof, are respectfully requested.

Initially, Applicants respectfully thank the Examiner for allowance of claim 5; and respectfully note that claims 6-10 (withdrawn from consideration) have been retained in the above-identified application, subject to the filing of a Divisional application in connection therewith.

With respect to the rejected claims, claims 1 and 13, as will be set forth infra it is respectfully submitted that sufficient guidance is provided to one of ordinary skill in the art to make and use the present invention, without undue experimentation, so as to satisfy the enablement requirement of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112.

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